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WILL YOU ACCEPT MY BALLS!?
TADASHII ACE NO KOURYAKUHOU?
MITOHI MATSUMOTO

I'M HIROTO FUJIKI, A HIGH SCHOOL THIRD-YEAR BASEBALL PLAYER
Kyaaaa! Kyaaaa!
Fujiki-kun! Mom-ent please!
How do you see?
Yamazaki High Crowded Every Day
There are so many, how...
Ace Fujiki
I LIVE A FULL LIFE WHILE BEING SURROUNDED BY REPORTERS AND GROUPIES.
.. BUT RECENTLY,
THERE'S SOMETHING I CAN'T GET OUT OF MY MIND.

IT'S ONE OF THE REGULAR GROUPIES...
EVEN AMONG SO MANY GIRLS, THIS ONE GIRL IS CUTE ENOUGH TO CATCH MY EYE.

FUJIKI-KUN! WHAT KIND OF FOODS DO YOU LIKE?
ARE YOU A CAT PERSON OR A DOG PERSON?
HOW DO YOU LIKE TO GRIP A BALL? AND I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT RICE BALLS
THE QUESTIONS SHE ASKS ARE STRANGE.
UM.. I WARMED UP YOUR BAG, SO PLEASE SHOW ME YOUR CLEATS!♡
AND WHAT SHE DOES IS STRANGE, TOO.
She's cheerful in a good and bad way.
Fujiki

SHE'S PAID TOO MUCH ATTENTION TO ME.
...SO,
IT'S NOT A PICK UP LINE FOR A GIRL,
What? Only her?
BUT THIS GIRL MIGHT...
THANKS FOR ALWAYS COMING TO SEE ME
WANNA PLAY CATCH OVER THERE WITH ME?
REALLY!? THAT MAKES ME SO HAPPY!
I thought something like this might happen, so I brought my own glove!♡
WHY!?

THEN HERE I GO!
OKAY! ♡

AHH...
The angle is at a perfect 90°
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THIS ISN'T A GIRL.
There are balls here too.

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H-HOW DID YOU FIND OUT!?
THIS IS AWFUL.
THERE ARE LIMITS TO HOW UNSUITED YOU CAN BE AS A SPY.

ARE YOU POSSIBLY A SPY OR SOMETHING?
YOU'RE A GUY, RIGHT?
WELL, I FEEL RELIEVED AFTER CLEARLY FINDING OUT THE REASON WHY, THOUGH.
EHHHH!?

SHAKE...
P...
PLEASE DON'T BE MAD AT ME...
WHAT'S YOUR NAME? WHAT SCHOOL ARE YOU FROM?
MY NAME IS ASAMI
I'M A FIRST-YEAR ON THE BASEBALL TEAM AT KATSURAGI HIGH.
KATSU-RAGI HIGH THE NEXT SCHOOL WE'RE UP AGAINST, HUH?
MAYBE HE WAS ORDERED TO DO IT BY THE OLDER TEAM MEMBERS.
.. UH—

I-I-I-I-I'M NOT MAD! I'M NOT MAD!
I
WHAT AM I GETTING FLUSTERED FOR...!?
ALSO, IF YOU WANT TO ASK ME SOME QUETIONS, I'LL ANSWER THEM.
REALLY !?
HE'S SO QUICK TO SMILE RIGHT AFTER CRYING
I'LL ANSWER ANYTHING YOU ASK... SO TRY BEING MORE LIKE A SPY,
AS IF I STARTED TELLING YOU STUFF BY ACCIDENT
IT'S NOT A PROBLEM IF THEY FIND OUT WHAT I SAY, SO I'LL STICK WITH HIM FOR A LITTLE BIT LONGER.

...I UNDERSTAND.
PLEASE RUB MY CHEST AS MUCH AS YOU WANT!
WHERE DID ACTING LIKE A SPY GO!?
I'M A SPY, SO I THOUGHT I HAVE TO VOLUNTEER MY BODY..
UH, NO, THAT METHOD OF GETTING INFORMATION IS ODD
Flab
THEN UM, PLEASE TEACH ME HOW YOU GRIP A BALL.
HOW I GRIP IT? OKAY..
IS IT OKAY IF I JUST SHOW YOU LIKE THIS?
AFTER ALL, I CAN'T LET YOU TAKE A PICTURE...
...NOT LIKE THAT.

Wha!?
PLEASE...
GRIP MY BALLS.

I'M NOT SMART, SO I WON'T BE ABLE TO REMEMBER IT BY JUST LOOKING AT IT,
BUT I THINK IT'LL PROBABLY BE OKAY IF YOU DO THIS.
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IT'S NOT OKAY! FOR ME!
UH! NO MATTER WHAT, THAT'S A LITTLE...
YOU SHOULD TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF! AND YOUR LIFE!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING, HIROTO!?
PLEASE!

IF I DON'T GO BACK WITH SOME KIND OF INFORMATION.. THEY'LL GET MAD AT ME!
HE'S USING HIS TEARS TO GET HIS WAY AGAIN!
..NO,
THAT'S NOT IT.
HE'S TOTALLY INEPT AT BEING A SPY,
BUT FLAWLESSLY CROSS-DRESSING LIKE THIS AND COMING TO SEE ME EVERY DAY
IS NOT SOME-THING HE COULD HAVE DONE HALF-HEART-EDLY.

THIS KID IS REALLY SERIOUS AT ANY-THING HE DOES.
HIS METHODS ARE A LITTLE OFF,
...I
I UNDER-STAND.
SO AM I RES-PON-SIBLE, TOO...?
BUT I GOT INVOLVED WITHOUT TAKING IT TOO SERIOUSLY AND EN-COURAGED HIM,

AHH...
STRIKE THREE! YOU'RE OUT!
GAME OVER!
Konzaki 0 0 2 1 0 0 1 1 0 5
Tsuragi 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

IN THE END, IT WAS A SHUT-OUT...
EVEN THOUGH WE SENT IN A SPY...
WELL, THAT'S HOW IT GOES.
...BY THE WAY,
FUJIKI-SAN! CON-GRATU-LATIONS!
...UM...

THERE'S A LOT I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU...
BUT WHY DID YOU ACT AS A SPY WHEN YOU GUYS HAVE A GIRL AS A MANAGER?
Plus, you're dressed the same as her.
UMM, THAT'S BECAUSE ...
A GIRL MIGHT HAVE FALLEN IN LOVE WITH YOU

Well.
AND WHY ARE YOU CHEERING FOR ME WHEN I SHOULD BE YOUR OPPONENT?
BECAUSE
I FELL IN LOVE WITH YOU, FUJIKI-SAN.
...AHH.
sami

LIKE I THOUGHT, THIS KID
REALLY IS HOPELESS.
?
WA!
WAWA!
FUJIKI-SA...?

...BUT,
THAT PART OF HIM IS IRRESISTIBLY CUTE.
EVEN THE STRONGEST ACE IS KNOCKED OUT IN THE FACE OF THIS SMILE.♪

THE END